



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

#### **AMENDMENT TO CABLE TELEVISION ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 78, Telecommunications, Section 78-52 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

#### **Sec. 78-52. Cable/video service provider fee and PEG access support fee.**

(d) PEG Access Support Fee Imposed.

- (1) A PEG access support fee is hereby imposed on any Holder providing cable service or video service in unincorporated Cook County in addition to the fee imposed pursuant to Subsection (c).
- (2) The amount of the PEG access support fee imposed hereby shall be one percent of the Holder's gross revenues or, if greater, the percentage of gross revenues that incumbent cable operators pay to the County or its designee for PEG access support in unincorporated Cook County.
- (3) The Holder shall pay the PEG access support fee to the County or to the entity designated by the County to manage PEG access. The Holder's liability for the PEG access support fee shall commence on the date set forth in Subsection (c).
- (4) The payment of the PEG access support fee shall be due on a quarterly basis, 45 days after the close of the calendar quarter. If mailed, the fee is considered paid on the date it is postmarked. Each payment shall include a statement explaining the basis for the calculation of the fee.
- (5) An incumbent cable operator that elects to terminate an existing agreement pursuant to 220 ILCS 5/21-301(c) shall pay, at the time they would have been due, all monetary payments for PEG access that would have been due during the remaining term of the agreement had it not been terminated pursuant to that section. All payments made by an incumbent cable operator pursuant to the previous sentence may be credited against the fees that that operator owes under this Subsection (d).
- (6) The revenue collected shall be placed in a special revenue fund named "PEG Access Support Fund" created by the Comptroller, held by the Treasurer of the County, and expended exclusively for capital costs associated with PEG access and support for the County's Government Access Channel, upon appropriation of the County Board.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-434 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Sec. 2-434. - Power and duties of Director of Revenue.**

The Department of Revenue shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) To administer and enforce all of the responsibilities, powers and duties delegated to it in every County tax or fee ordinance. However, when those tax revenues are collected by the State for and in behalf of the County, and remitted to the County, the Department shall act solely in an advisory capacity with respect to those collections.

(2) To collect cable television franchise fees and tax revenue, other than property taxes, formerly collected by other officers, and to succeed to all responsibilities, powers and duties relating to cable television franchise fees and tax collections previously delegated to the County Collector, Bureau of Finance and Bureau of Administration.

**Effective date:** This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption